

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 109

Introduced by Assembly Member Pavley

August 28, 2001

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 109—Relative to Coastal Cleanup Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 109, as introduced, Pavley. Coastal Cleanup Day.

This measure would proclaim September 15, 2001, as the 17th annual Coastal Cleanup Day in California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, California is blessed with an 1,100-mile coastline
2 that is a world-renowned symbol of the meeting of land and sea;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, California's coastal-related businesses, which
5 include tourism, transportation at the ports, fishing, and
6 recreation, contribute over \$17,000,000,000 per year to the state's
7 economy; and

8 WHEREAS, These industries have developed as a result of the
9 state's reputation for striking coastal features, clean ocean waters,
10 spectacular views, diversity of marine species, and numerous
11 ocean-based recreational opportunities; and

12 WHEREAS, Nonpoint source pollution or polluted runoff,
13 including trash, is the state's most significant source of water
14 pollution, impairing estuaries, bays, and nearshore waters along
15 the coast; and

1 WHEREAS, Last year, more than 43,000 individuals
2 participated in Coastal Cleanup Day, and they picked up more than
3 700,000 pounds of trash and debris; and

4 WHEREAS, For economic, aesthetic, and environmental
5 reasons, the quality of California's coast and beaches is a
6 paramount concern to all residents; and

7 WHEREAS, Coastal Cleanup Day is sponsored by the
8 California Coastal Commission, with local co-sponsorship by
9 many civic, community, and corporate organizations; and

10 WHEREAS, Coastal Cleanup Day is a celebration of individual
11 commitment to preserving our coastal environment; it is a day
12 when tens of thousands of individuals will take to the beaches from
13 San Diego to the Oregon border, to the lakefront of Lake Tahoe,
14 and to the shorelines, inland creeks, rivers, and other waterways
15 throughout California, to collect the debris that fouls our beaches;
16 now, therefore, be it

17 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
18 *thereof concurring,* That, in recognition of the common thread of
19 individual action and active commitment to maintaining the
20 beauty and well-being of California's streams, rivers, and ocean,
21 the Legislature hereby proclaims Saturday, September 15, 2001,
22 as the 17th annual Coastal Cleanup Day in California.
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